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Medium mock reporter and student James Walker interviews a student on whether she thinks this is a cheap attempt to gain readership, or whether interviewing naked is really a more "empowering" method of journalism. photo/Melissa Donnelly

## Vaccination for rare virus targeted at Rez students

## Meningitis Clinic to be held at UTM

BY JULIE TYIOS

On October 10, UTM will be hosting its second annual meningitis vaccination clinic. A vaccine that protects again four out of five strains of bacteri-

al meningitis will be administered from VACCESS Health services, a Pennsylvania-based company, at a fee of \$90. This cost is not covered by OHIP or student health plans. Students recently received mailed letters from the Erindale College Health Centre, urging them to protect themselves against this extremely rare but potentially deadly disease by receiving a vaccination. The letter was specifically aimed at the first-year residence students, due to the fact that the close living quarter's environment puts them at a slightly higher risk of contracting the disease. Also, individuals aged 15 to 19 years have a greater susceptibility to acquiring the virus.

Evidence for this statement comes from tests done on US military barracks where meningitis is easily spread because of poor living conditions. Currently, all new recruits are routinely vaccinated to offer protection from the bacteria. The lifestyle both groups lead, which is living in close proximity to one another and sharing certain objects, ultimately helps to spread the disease. Bacterial Meningitis is spread orally. Found in both saliva and mucus, the bacteria can infect another person when these fluids are exchanged. Although there is the possibility of airborne meningitis particles

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## SAC collects levy despite sponsorship

## Corporate funds accepted to support SAC events

BY MICHELLE RABBA AND EMILIA VIOLA

The Students' Administrative Council's (SAC) outlook on the use of corporate sponsorship has been in question this year, due to the significant increase of advertisements in their events.

Many mistakenly believed that SAC was opposed to corporate sponsorship, due to a levy that was passed in March 2000, asking Undergraduate students to pay a \$1 fee towards orientation.

SAC Orientation this year was heavily sponsored, despite the collection of the levy money. In the past, frosh week had minimal corporate involvement, so much so that Frosh Week 2000/2001 was run without any corporate funds (*The Independent Volume 25a, Issue 5*).

Last year showed a return of corporate sponsorship, and that sponsorship seems to be increasing yearly. Danielle MacDonald, the Erindale College Student Union (ECSU) frosh week coordinator

said, "There were so few companies last year and so many more this year."

John Lea, the SAC Vice-president of Operations agreed they used more sponsorship this year, and that, "a substantial amount of funds for frosh this year came from corporate sponsors." However, he explained that this was due to the type of events that were planned for Frosh 2002, which required more money than those of past years.

**"SAC has never formulated an opinion or statement on the use of corporate sponsorship"**  
— John Lea

SAC President Rocco Kusi-Achampong said this year's orientation could have been run without using any corporate sponsorship, but "not to the same magnitude." (*The Independent Volume 25a, Issue 5*).

Many individuals believed the levy money was to be used to lessen or remove the need for corporate sponsors. Lea disagrees with this sentiment. "Students are misinformed," he said.

The levy question itself did not

specifically make reference to corporate sponsorship and is very open-ended. It reads, "Are you in favour of a \$1 refundable levy to be collected by SAC from all full-time undergraduate students for purposes of orientation?" However, Kusi-Achampong said in an interview with *The Independent (Volume 25a, Issue 5)* that the question for the levy was, "targeted solely at reducing corporate involvement."

Lea admitted that they had, in fact, passed several motions that were opposed corporate sponsorship. He also stated that in past years, SAC was, "more reluctant to engage in discussions with company sponsors."

Despite this, he stressed that "SAC has never formulated an opinion or statement on the use of corporate sponsorship."

Jim Delaney, Assistant Director of Student Affairs, noted that there have been previous SAC members who were somewhat opposed to receiving money from companies.

"Paul Kutasi, (SAC Vice-president 1999-2000) is noted to have said something to the effect that the fee 'will help to reduce all of the sponsorship' and that SAC was 'criticized last year for corporatization.' He also is attributed to have

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## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"When you sell space on campus, you're selling the attention span of students."

— SAC Executive Director Alexandra Artful Dodger, page 6.



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## Principal Orchard addresses full room at ECC



The first Erindale College Council (ECC) meeting for the year was held on Oct. 3. Faculty and staff raised concerns towards administrative changes. photo/Melissa Donnelly

## Vaccine called a 'preventative measure'

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being spread, the chance of this is extremely minute because the virus cannot live for more than a few minutes outside of its host.

Typically, this vaccine is administered to people who are traveling to third world countries, specifically in mid-Africa, where outbreaks frequently occur. This area of the world has been dubbed the "Meningitis Belt." The virus is most common in the winter months, when people are crammed together inside living quarters with poor air circulation.

Naturally, about ten percent of the population is a carrier of the bacteria. It becomes harmful however, when it infects the body; specifically the lining of the brain and also spinal cord.

About one in ten people who contract meningitis will be left disabled in some way, another 1 in 10 cases will be fatal. The bacteria can easily be killed off by simple drugs such as penicillin, however, the disease attacks swiftly and by the time diagnosis is complete the patient may have already suffered permanent damage or disability.

"We make every effort to advise residence students to have the vaccine before they come to residence," said Chris McGrath, Director of Residence and Residence Life. "But we also strongly encourage them to access it during vaccination campaigns such as the one next week," he added.

"We're [hosting this clinic] not because we have a problem with

meningitis on campus, but it is a big preventative measure - The vaccine takes about two weeks to build up immunities for the body, so by the time an outbreak occurs it may be too late," said Patricia Ash, Manager of UTM Health Services. Last year, approximately 120-130 students had the vaccine. There have been no outbreaks on campus in recent years.

According to Health Canada, there was a series of four cases of group C Invasive Meningococcal Disease around the London area in February of 2001. One of the people infected was a student at Western University and two others were in close contact with the university. None of them died or suffered adverse effects because of the illness.

## Professional fair generates student interest at UTM

Student Centre busy as schools advertise graduate programs

BY JENNIFER MASON

Institutions representing 67 various colleges and programs congregated last Wednesday in the Student Centre for Erindale's 11 annual Professional School's Fair. Several graduate schools offering information on programs such as Law, Medicine, Social Work and Business attended.

Pamphlets, CD-ROMs and pens were just some of the things handed out to eager undergraduates who flooded the Student Centre.

This year, several new faculties such as U of O's Faculty of Law attended. The presence of new institutions helped compensate for the absence of schools that previously attended, such as University of Victoria.

Schools from across North America and the Atlantic attended the event. Many students were pleased with the opportunities presented at the fair. Joanne Killow, a first-year Life Science student commented, "It's not too clear what the schools all do, but it's helpful and I found what I was looking for."

The turnout was also a pleasant surprise to organizers and representatives. "It's been non-stop people," commented Gail Aleung, a representative from Centennial College.

"The location [at the downtown campus] is bad. We've had more

interest, good questions and more focus from Erindale students." Diane Minter, Director of Admissions at the University of Alberta noted, "The turnout has been wonderful, we ran out of material by noon. We've had a lot of interested applicants. This event gives universities the opportunity to raise students' awareness. A lot of students think of Ontario schools only when making application decisions."

Aacktar, a second-year Business student remarked, "It's pretty comfortable, though the layout is more appreciable in [the Square-One] room. Open browsing, and picking up flyers help take into consideration what my possible avenues are."

Indeed, many may have felt lost in the rush of students perusing around. However, the general consensus was that the event was a large success.

"Part of what makes this run so well is the fact that the student staff is right there helping [the universities] move things, and helping the students find what they're looking for," remarked Joan McCurdy Myers, Manager of the Career Centre.

There were also ten student staff members walking around, eager to help those with questions.

"We're happy with the traffic flow," said McCurdy Myers. "Changes [made] in the set-up make for more space." Ultimately, the success of the event will be measured by the responses collected from the evaluation box that was set up. McCurdy Myers is also content with the participatory results.



Several students took the opportunity to browse what other schools offer. photo/Melissa Donnelly

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# SAC controversy over funding escalates

Members accused of 'subverting democracy' towards Palestinian Group

BY OWEN JARUS

The simmering Israeli-Palestinian conflict hit U of T with full force this past week. A group of 19 Students' Administrative Council (SAC) representatives, nearly half of the current SAC board of directors released a terse letter that demanded an apology from SAC President Rocco Kusi-Achampong and SAC Vice-president of Operations John Lea for their refusal to write a \$1,000 cheque to the International Socialists (IS).

The IS directed the money to a group called Solidarity for Palestinian Human Rights (SPHR) to fund travel costs for U of T students who were going to Ottawa to participate in a Pro-Palestinian rally. The signatories of the letter praised the SPHR for organizing, "a very successful and peaceful rally," in Ottawa, although the letter mentioned that the funding decision was apolitical.

The SPHR was also the main organizer of a violent rally that occurred on September 9, when former Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu visited Concordia University. The letter also attempted to justify an attempt by SAC's External Commissioner and a SAC rep to forcibly enter the Business Manager's office to retrieve the check. The letter attacked the credibility of Kusi-Achampong and Lea. It stated that, "When John Lea, SAC Vice President-Operations, initially decided not to issue a cheque for money, the board decided SAC would expend. He was violating SAC by-laws, violating his job description and violating the votes of thousands of students who elected this board. He was violating a basic trust- that he, and the President who supported him, are ultimately responsible to the SAC Board of Directors."

In a previous interview with *The Medium* and *The Window* (New College's student magazine), Lea refuted the suggestion that he subverted democracy. He said, "I too am elected by the student body as Vice-President of Operations." He went on to justify his position (and his refusal to sign the International Socialists a cheque) by pointing out the violence that occurred at the September 9 rally at Concordia University.

The letter attempted to justify funding the SPHR rally. "What was the purpose of this trip? To participate in a peaceful focused on Palestinian Human rights."

It goes on to conclude in the end that, "We, the undersigned SAC board members, are writing to say that the motion we passed was fair, apolitical, and ultimately led to a very successful and peaceful rally at which many U of T students were allowed to express their opinion and solidarity for human rights."

It also mentions that, "the condemnation letter Mr. Lea wrote was unfair towards SPHR, a coalition that ultimately produced this peaceful rally." When Lea refused to sign the International Socialists (and as such the SPHR) a cheque, he released a letter explaining his actions.

Although the Ottawa rally was relatively peaceful, the one at Concordia was not. Over a dozen were arrested as a pro-Palestinian protest degenerated into violence. Some protestors attacked police, security officials, and Pro-Israel supporters who were waging their own rally.

Former Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's speaking engagement had to be cancelled because security officials were unable to restore order and guarantee Netanyahu's safety.

In a previous interview, Lea criticized the group's (SPHR) link to the violence at Concordia University claiming "they (SPHR) took the violence very lightly."

An attempt by External Commissioner Alexandra Artful-Dodger and board member Mary Guiao to get into the Business Manager's office without permission was justified according to the letter. It stated that:

"The Vice-president of Operations withheld the physical cheque from any of the signer who might have signed it. This is why Ms. Artful-Dodger and Ms. Guiao attempted to enter the business manager's office: to retrieve a new cheque and legally issue the funds with the signatures of the University Affairs and Clubs Commissioners- to carry out the will of democracy which the Vice-President Operations defied."

Their attempt to get into the office was stopped when VP Lea threatened to call campus police.

The letter also attacked Lea's use of the U of T code of student conduct as a justification for not signing the cheque. Lea argued that due to the violence at the Concordia rally, the SPHR could not be given SAC funding. The code explicitly states that students should not engage in rioting.

The letter said that his interpretation of the rule is "out of context," due to the fact that the code only applies on campus, and thus the events that occurred at Concordia and Ottawa are not applicable.

The funding was eventually approved in a 23-8 vote on September 23rd. At the meeting, a representative from Hillel, a pro-Israel students group declared that, "we are giving money to a group of students to go to a rally run by a group who have equated the Star of David with swastikas, denied free speech, and are mandated by SAC to carry a banner saying they are supported by SAC."

SAC does not want to support an organization which has caused riots, and at various marches where Jews were castigated and high rates of anti-Semitism were present."

In response to the demanded apology, Achampong stated "I do not intend, or would I ever apologize."

At press time, Lea could not be contacted to comment on the letter. However, among the signatories of the letter were 3 UTM SAC reps, Humza Hussain, Sheza Khan (Deputy UTM Commissioner) and Kashif Yousef.



Protestors at Concordia. Controversy over signing a cheque to fund a Palestinian peace rally within SAC members recently escalated.

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## Workin' Away



Students make use of the new computers installed in the Student Centre this year.

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## Women's defense program to be launched

Wendo, a new self-defense system, will begin at UTM

BY SIMONA IONAS

"Sexual harassment is unwanted sexual attention and includes any unwelcome pressure for sexual

favors or any offensive emphasis on the sex or sexual orientation of another person which creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive working or learning environment."

Taken from the Sexual Harassment Office, this description gives details of exactly what constitutes sexual harassment. The issue of sexual assault had socially been perceived as a "Pandora's

box"—we knew it existed but never wished to open it.

Nowadays, women are encouraged to express their feelings about realistic topics such as sexual attacks and violence on women.

For the first time at UTM, a self-defense system for women called 'Wendo' is being launched. On Tuesday, October 8, the program begins with an Orientation in the Student Centre Presentation Room.

From 12 to 2 pm, students are given the chance to participate in a safety awareness session of 'Wendo,' which is open to women only. After the session, a screening of the classic women's empowerment movie "Thelma and Louise" will be open to everyone for viewing.

More recently, sexual assaults have become a reality in the university's environment. Statistics show that four out of five female undergraduate students reported that they had been victims of violence in a dating relationship.

Also, 69 percent of sexual assaults are committed by men that women know. Only six percent of all sexual assaults and one percent of date rapes are reported to the police. On the other hand, 70 percent of women who fight back prevent a rape from occurring. Christiane Martin, Assault Counsellor and Educator involved in this project, thinks that "women should start to pay more attention to this issue. The most important [thing] is to realise this is something we can control."

Women need to be instructed on how to deal with these issues to help avoid violent attacks and become aware of them.

One way to do this is by attending a self-defense program. 'Wendo' offers an opportunity to gain awareness. Its organizers claim that it is an effective women's self-defense method. Also, it is a program initiated and developed by women exclusively for women.

'Wendo' does not require strength or previous physical training. It teaches women techniques and ways of protecting themselves proactively, while helping them perceive their limits and give up the role of victim.

Martin enhances the fact that 'Wendo' is beneficial because "it will boost women's confidence, [which will help them to] start talking about their problems."

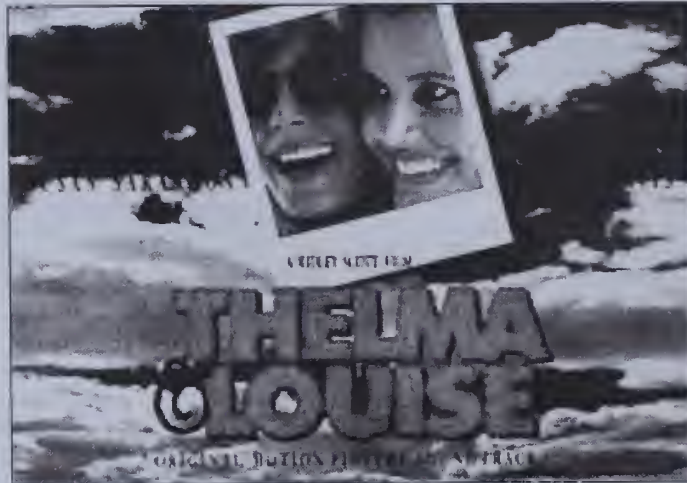
She also feels the 'Wendo' program offers, "a place where women can meet and discuss where they can become more aware of possible assaults."

Lesley Rorison, one of the 'Wendo' coordinators at UTM, encourages female students to attend the sessions because they will be, "less intimidated in front of real-life situations."

She also expects that a high percent of female students will respond to this initiative as many of them have already expressed interest in it.

The 'Wendo' project was initiated at UTM by Barbara Mainguy from the Status of Women Office at U of T and is sponsored by UTM, the Community Safety Office, the Sexual Assault and Education Centre, and the Status of Women Office.

For more information on equity issues for women at U of T, visit [www.library.utoronto.ca/wow](http://www.library.utoronto.ca/wow).



Wendo will show a screening of Thelma and Louise this week.

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## Campus Police Reports

### September 20, 2002, 10:30 AM ABANDONED/TOWED VEHICLE:

A vehicle belonging to an UTM student who had moved from their residence was hoisted and transported off the property.

### September 21, 2002, 11:50 PM

**GROUP SMOKING MARIJUANA:** Campus Police investigated an alleged use of marijuana in front of Phase II by a group of males and two females.

### September 23, 2002, 2:30 PM

**MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT:** Campus Police investigated a two vehicle collision in Lot 8.

### September 23, 2002, 4:48 PM

**DEFAMATION OF CHARACTER:** Campus Police investigated homophobic posters posted at the SAC office and other areas of the Student Centre.

### September 23, 2002, 10:52 PM

**SERVICE CALL:** Campus Police followed up on an automated low pressure steam alarm in the South Building.

### September 24, 2002, 5:17 PM

**MEDICAL EMERGENCY:** Campus Police assisted Mississauga Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services with a resident student experiencing a medical emergency on site. The student was transported to Credit Valley Hospital.

### September 24, 2002, 8:45 PM

**VERBAL BANNING:** Campus Police verbally banned and escorted four males off the property for engaging in a prohibited activity on site.

### September 25, 2002, 4:00 AM

**SUBSTANCE ABUSE:** Campus Police followed up on a report of a student crying out for help in front of Phase 6. The student experienced an adverse reaction after introducing a controlled substance to his system. Peel Regional Police and Emergency Medical Services attended. The matter remains under investigation.

### September 25, 2002, 12:30 AM

**THEFT UNDER \$5000:** Campus Police received a report of a stolen parking pass from a vehicle.

### September 26, 2002, 1:20 PM

**MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT:** Campus Police investigated a single vehicle collision in the Outer Circle.

### September 26, 2002, 8:10 PM

**POSSIBLE IMPAIRED DRIVER:** Campus Police followed up on a report of an impaired female driver. Vehicle was found in Lot 6. The female was gone upon arrival.

### September 26, 2002, 9:23 PM

**THEFT UNDER \$5000:** Campus Police investigated theft of a hub cap from a vehicle in Lot 8.

### September 27, 2002, 1:30 AM

**OPERATING WHILE IMPAIRED-CARE AND CONTROL:** Campus Police prevented two males from driving off the property while intoxicated. The car keys were taken away from the driver and released the next morning.

### September 26, 2002, 3:30 PM

**EMERGENCY TRANSPORT:** Campus Police transported an injured athlete to Credit Valley Hospital.

### September 27, 2002, 9:00 AM

**THEFT UNDER \$5000:** Coffee and soap were stolen from an office at C

Block in the South Building.

### September 27, 2002, 4:45 PM

**THEFT FROM AUTO:** A parking permit was removed from a vehicle. The vehicle was parked at Lot 8.

### September 29, 2002, 1:38 PM

**THEFT UNDER \$5000:** A generator was removed from the CCIT construction site. The piece of equipment weighed 250 pounds and was fenced in.

### September 30, 2002, 2:15 PM

**TRANSPORT TO HOSPITAL:** A patient with psychiatric problems was taken to hospital by University Police.

### September 30, 2002, 12:22 PM

**MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT:** A vehicle traveling on Outer Circle Road by Lot 4 hit a stop sign. There was property damage but no injuries. The accident was witnessed by an officer on a routine patrol.

### October 02, 2002, 12:15 PM

**MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT:** A parked vehicle was slightly damaged by an accident at Lot 2.

### October 02, 2002, 3:11 PM

**TRANSPORT TO HOSPITAL:** A soccer player was taken to hospital by University Police. He injured his leg during a match at the gym.

### October 04, 2002, 1:17 PM

**MEDICAL EMERGENCY:** A student living in a residence at Phase 1 was taken to hospital by ambulance. She was suffering from alcohol poisoning.

### October 04, 2002, 8:01 AM

**FIRE ALARM:** Fire Services attended the North Building in response to a fire alarm. The system was triggered by electrical work. There was no fire.

### October 04, 2002, 9:30 AM

**MISCHIEF UNDER \$5000:** A bulletin board was vandalized outside an office in B Block of the South Building.

## Archbishop to visit U of T

Religious leader to meet and interact with students

BY OWEN JARUS

The Greater Toronto Area seems to be getting its share of religious leaders these days. Over the summer, hundreds of thousands of young Catholics worldwide came to Toronto to participate in World Youth Day and see Pope John Paul II.

More recently, on October 20 Dr. George Carey, the Archbishop of Canterbury, primate of the Anglican communion, and leader to more than 80 million Anglicans worldwide (800,000 in Canada), will visit U of T's Wycliffe College and participate in a variety of events.

The trip, one of his last before retirement, will mark the end of one of the most challenging and controversial primate-ships in the Church's history.

The day is set to begin with an 11 a.m. mass at St. Paul's Cathedral, followed by a luncheon at Wycliffe College. After, there will be a reception where individuals will have the opportunity to meet the Archbishop.

The highlight of the day will be a one hour question and answer forum from 2 to 3 pm that will be held in Sheraton Hall (within Wycliffe College).

Students, faculty, staff and alumni will have the opportunity to ask questions and interact with the Anglican leader.

The day ends with a banquet at the Four Seasons Hotel. Tickets for the banquet are already sold out.

The one hundred and third Archbishop of Canterbury oversaw reforms made to the Anglican Church that allowed women to be ordained. Although women were previously ordained in Canada and the United States, he made their ordainment possible for women living in England.

"He's made some needed change without losing unity around the world"  
— Cheryl Kristolaitis

He struggled with the various liberal and conservative wings in the Church over the issue of homosexuality, eventually taking a stand that opposed the ordination of homosexual priests, while at the same time apologizing for past sins and discrimination against homosexuals.

These issues are expected to come up during the question and answer period.

Cheryl Kristolaitis, Chaplain at

Luther College, University of Regina, feels that the Archbishop "is a very influential voice in the Anglican Church and around the world. He's made some needed change without losing unity around the world. The differences and the diversity of opinions in the church make several topics difficult."

The Anglican Church's composition changed rapidly during his leadership. Anglicanism became popular in many third world countries putting a new international face on what was previously a primarily Anglo-Saxon institution. It's most rapid growth has been in Africa, where the religion has heavily influenced the country and become dominant.

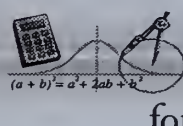
The Archbishop will officially step down from his position on October 31.

He will be succeeded by Rowan Williams, who is noted to be more radical in his views. Many expect several changes to be made with his role as Archbishop of Canterbury.

With files from Michelle Rabba

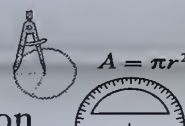
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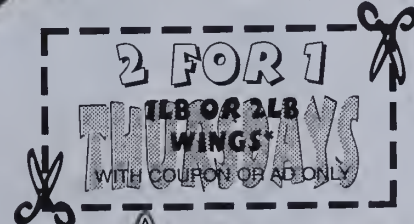


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## SAC remains "very open to corporate sponsors"

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stated that the 'orientation co-ordinator can spend less time going to sponsors', said Delaney.

Although SAC did collect the \$1 levy and received corporate sponsorship this year, they are not in violation due to the open wording of the levy.

According to Delaney, "This year, this portion of the SAC fee will generate approximately \$36,000 to \$37,000, and will be paid to SAC as part of the overall payment of SAC fees collected in trust by the university."

According to Kusi-Achampong, SAC generated \$73,000 from administrative sponsors, while approximately \$120,000 was collected from corporate sponsorship.

In total, Orientation for Frosh Week amounted to \$230,000, thereby creating a loss of approximately \$30,000.

When asked whether the collection of fees from sponsorship impinged on the collection of fees from the levy, Mohammed Hashim, SAC University Affairs Commissioner, replied, "I wish it did, but it doesn't."

**"They are in the right to collect the levy even though they have corporate sponsorship"**  
— Mohammed Hashim

He further explained the supposed hypocrisy of collecting both the levy and sponsorship.

"What happened was that our Senior Executive decided, against my wishes, that they could collect the levy due to the wording of the motion, which was open-ended. They are in the right to collect the levy even though they have corporate sponsorship."

ECSU President Adil Mirza feels SAC is in violation of what they have promoted. He commented that in one of the summer meetings SAC held to discuss Frosh Week,

"they said that their mandate was to have no corporate sponsorship at all."

Lea did not deny this fact, but stated that he cannot specifically recall anyone talking about that mandate. Mirza agrees corporate sponsorship is often required due to lack of funds, but commented that SAC should follow their mandate and "stick to their word."

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— Adil Mirza

He said if SAC promotes itself as anti-corporate sponsorship and does not act in accordance, they are, "cheating students."

More recently, at a September 30 SAC Board Meeting, a proposal was voted down to allow more corporate sponsorship of events in a 6 to 24 decision. Kusi-Achampong spoke out in favour of the proposal.

"SAC is in the business of providing student services. If a company wants to pay \$4,000 to put two by two (inches) size flyer in the frosh kit, if Chrysler is willing to give \$10,000 for student scholarship, for a car we cannot afford in any case, I'll accept it."

I've seen what corporations have done to my country, coming from a third world country, but if a corporation is ready to donate to alleviate student concern, I see no reason why they should say no due to their track record."

Alexandra Artful Dodger, SAC External Commissioner, strongly opposed having corporate sponsorship.

"I am extremely opposed to this motion because we're not here to be free advertising to [private companies]. When you sell space on campus, you're selling the attention span of students," she said.

Also, this type of funding will be present in an upcoming SAC event called 'SAC 101.' SAC 101 is a black tie banquet celebrating SAC's one hundredth and one anniversary at U of T.

The event is estimated to cost over \$200,000 and has an expected attendance of over 300. When asked how SAC can afford the event despite their lack of funding,

Lea stated that some funding will come from alumni and administration, but SAC is "very open to corporate sponsors."

Hashim disagrees with SAC's reliance on sponsorship for this event as well. "I hope that all of SAC 101 would have been scrapped and put into a book bursary."

Lea commented that in an ideal world, "SAC wouldn't have a funding shortage and would not need to rely on corporate sponsorship."

Mirza, however, feels that SAC should "make up their minds," and that their contradictions are "making themselves look bad."

I SAID SO - BY: Mike Rossi



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## Legal isn't always ethical

EDITORIAL

The natural human reaction is to inquire and become defensive when it comes to matters concerning money and what happens to it after it leaves our finger tips. The university already digs a hole in students' pockets for all the fees (incidental, tuition and ancillary) that have to come from us. Once the funds pass from our hands, we want to know it will fulfill the promises made to us.

Right now, the Students' Administrative Council (SAC) is under heavy scrutiny from the full-time student body at large because of a levy passed in March 2000 that reads, "Are you in favour of a \$1 refundable to be collected by SAC from all full-time undergraduate students for purposes of orientation?" When over 36,000 students approved of the levy back in 2000 (which has to be passed in a tri-campus wide referendum by full-time students), they believed that SAC would not have to rely as heavily on corporate sponsors for financial aid. As it turns out, SAC has received over \$120,000 from outside of the university to help facilitate their \$260,000 Orientation 2002-2003 budget. Obviously, those students who pay this \$1 levy would raise qualms as to why are they even paying this figure if SAC still receives such a hefty amount from corporations.

To hold an event such as Orientation is no easy financial feat. Understandably, you would need a large budget for the event to run smoothly. Any student running an event knows how difficult it is to come up with the money to run an event successfully. \$1 is not a lot to pay but to take students' money under the pretext that it would lessen or "reduce all of the sponsorship," as Assistant Director of Student Affairs Jim Delaney quotes past SAC Vice-president Paul Kutasi as saying, and continue to solicit corporate sponsorship is down right hypocritical and unethical. When the levy was put to student question, students voted in favour of the levy so as to diminish the amount of outside funds received for SAC Orientation. The reality of the situation is that SAC receives more corporate sponsoring than ever before.

The concern shown by the Erindale College Student Union (ECSU) and SAC's own board members about the increasing usage of corporate sponsors is certainly justified. Corporate sponsors littered the banners at Orientation this year – more than any year before – and this was noted by most students.

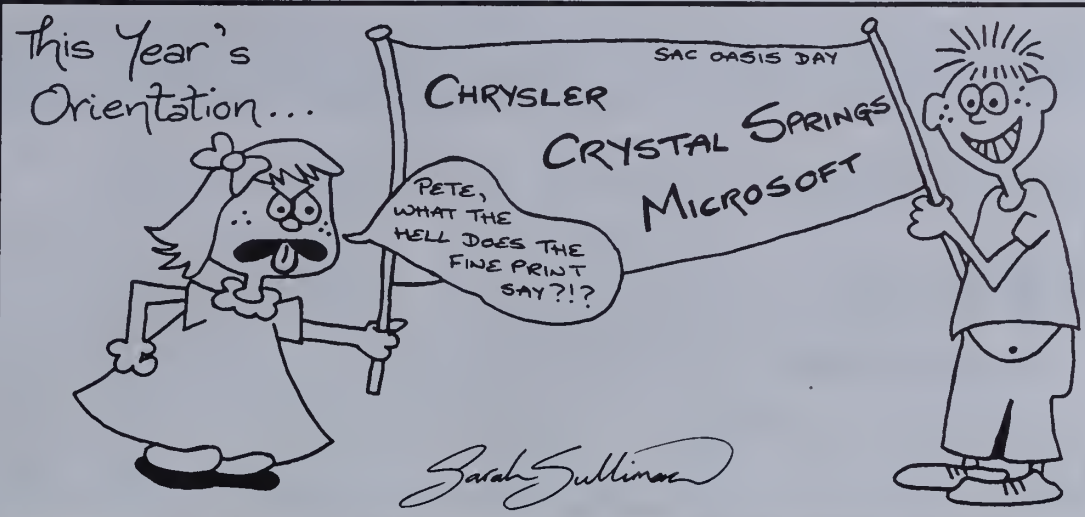
Nevertheless, SAC is still in their right to collect the levy as, as SAC University Affairs Commissioner Mohammed Hashim puts it, "the wording of the motion [was] open-ended." There is no legality that prevents SAC from collecting the levy from students. With this end in mind, we would hope that SAC uses the money wisely, rely less on corporate sponsorship and, as Kutasi puts it, "[the] orientation coordinator can spend less time going to sponsors."

SAC's upcoming event, 'SAC 101,' will also rely heavily on sponsorship from corporations. For their one hundredth and one anniversary, SAC will hold a black tie banquet – an event that necessarily does not have the best students' interest at heart. There is no need to hold a lavish \$200,000 event and Hashim is quite right in saying that the money would have been better spent if put towards a book bursary.

SAC must remember that they are accountable to the full-time students that they represent and have to cater to their constituents' best interests. If students believe that they pay \$1 to lessen SAC's reliance on corporate sponsorship and SAC turns around and accepts large amounts of financial aid from corporations, then SAC should not collect the \$1 from the students. Even if it's legal, it's not ethical. SAC: your constituents' best interests are most important here – it is their money you collect.

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PH: Due to popular demand, the big blurt is back. Sorry Jay, guess you'll have to pull out those glasses. Alim et al. killed by the office staff – they say it's the one thing they look forward to when the paper comes out. Andrea was really pissed – blame Jay! Happy Birthday Darryl! Wain! Even at the office today and had to hear about overseas confusion all the way in Toronto. Don't worry Sagar, you're safe. Remember what your words "you have some balls." At least people are reading the paper! I taught three dance classes today – gonna be sure tomorrow. Sac. Can I move. Somehow, made it to see the Leafs practice at the AOC with Jan. I love Darryl Tucker – a primitive. Went by some old home grounds in Toronto – still smells the same. Just one more at the office today. Read lots of crap on a chat forum – some really ignorant people out there. Hi-hum Sun. Michelle snuffles, I'm sick. "Get well soon, later Everyone loves Michelle today" – the old 6 pages of news. I never even did that many. I don't think any News Editor ever did. Thanks for picking up the rear. Thanks Mehman for helping us with PhotoShop – you're welcome here anytime. Johanna's mum came to the rescue for the Archbishop of Canterbury article. Thank you, Mrs. Kristolaitis! What the hell is going on – Andrea is done first again this week. 3pm, last week. 4 pm, this week. Someone in this office keeps taking all the study materials – Michelle, Madina and Darryl are all complaining. I gave Darryl one 4" x 6" sticky sheet to last him the rest of the year. Write very small, my dear. Attention QSS members! I led when I said the strangest place I had ever been to was Guyana. The strangest place is Palmerston – a little small town in north-western Ontario, population 2,000. My first experience with a little farming town. Incidentally, it's Jan's home town. I didn't want to embarrass him, but I had to confess. For a little island girl like me, it was strange! Sorry Jan. Happy Thanksgiving! Enjoy the week off, Medium people! 20 more to go – Hope to God I can make it.



## CCIT Director clarifies and responds to students' concerns

On September 10, the first cohort of students admitted to the CCIT program were enrolled in newly designed courses. The editorial and article on the CCIT program (September 30) underscore the hopes and concerns of these students.

Since joining UTM and the CCIT program on July 1, I have found that students, faculty members, administrators, and industry leaders share a strong belief in the principles upon which this innovative program is based: combining applied and practical strengths of Sheridan College with academic and research strengths of UTM. Each institution is internationally renowned, making their combination particularly exciting.

As the program develops, students will raise legitimate questions and concerns, as outlined in the 'Medium': Can CCIT courses be taught at UTM? What is the status of the Delta-3 (laptop) program and why was it postponed? Will revenue from increased tuition fees benefit students

directly? When will specialists programs be available?

As with the other joint programs, courses are taught at both campus sites to take advantage of distinctive resources. Combining the strengths of the two institutions was the basis for creating the program. It is essential, however, that the benefits of a two-campus program become evident as the semester continues.

The Mobile (laptop) program was cancelled in response to student concerns. I shared these concerns and brought them to the attention of administrators at UTM and Sheridan College. We responded by postponing the (Mac) laptop-lease requirement and creating computer labs. This saved each student \$1,700 per year. There was never a "shortage of laptops" for the CCIT program. The only shortage was of PC's for an unrelated Sheridan program.

Increased tuition fees will be used to fund technology-enhanced elements of the program that benefit students directly, and

not the buildings. The CCIT buildings are funded by the Ontario Superbuild program, grants from the Cities of Mississauga and Oakville, and private fund raising.

Specialist programs are under development. We will seek approval for a number of them in November, and final approval is expected early in 2003.

The concerns raised by students are important and legitimate, and will continue to be addressed. To that end, on August 19 I contacted the CCIT club to establish a student advisory committee (<http://www.ccitclub.com/>). The CCIT club has also organized the first in a series of information events for October 16.

I will continue to visit classes and will address questions directly. Together, we have a great opportunity to establish a truly innovative program for students.

Bill Thompson  
 Director: Communication, Culture & Information Technology

## Alumni gives advice to current students

Well, my time at Erindale has passed, and I've left it older, wiser and with a whole lot less money, but with a whole bunch of experiences that I wouldn't give up for the world. These experiences are what have prompted me to write this letter, to outline some of the things I have learned in my 5 years on campus. And so, here is my advice to you:

1. Get involved. Find something that captures your passion, and stick with it. Explore the world outside the classroom by getting involved in any of the many clubs and organisations both on and off campus, and if there is an area of interest that you don't see represented by any clubs or campus organisations, create it. Be proactive.

2. Read The Medium, every week. You may not agree with what they say, but at least you'll know what they're saying.

3. Go to as many openings, functions and Student Appreciation Days as you can. These things generally have free food, and if you eat at enough of them, you'll have more money for other things, like alcohol, computer parts, or paying your room mate to take notes in class for you while you sleep off the hangover or sleep deprivation headache from playing video games all night.

4. Do your readings. Yeah, it takes some time, but you'll know what the prof is talking about, plus which, it will really help you when it comes time to write tests and papers.

5. Find out where the Academic Skills Centre is, and make use of their services. You've paid for them to be there, so you really should get your money's worth. They'll help you with everything from reading and study skills to writing an academic paper. While you're there, please

say "hi" to Cleo, Tom, Brock and San for me; I wouldn't be where I am today without their help.

6. Don't be afraid to talk to your profs or TAs. They're not all/ insane in a bad way, and if they've talked about something you're interested in, it's a great way to find out more.

7. Sleep. There are so many demands on your time that often, it's hard to make the time to sleep, but, if you're hit that point where you've been looking at the same page for 10 minutes and it's still not sinking in, a good 6-10 hours of downtime may be just what you need. Plus, with a healthy sleep schedule, you'll find that you're able to stay awake in class with a little less difficulty. As part of this, I recommend giving up caffeine.

It's a psychoactive drug, you become dependant on it, and the line at the Tim Horton's has been known to be longer than the line at Registrar Services.

8. Read all 3 Sex On Rez articles, available from the Sexual Education Centre (I know, shameless self-promotion). Even if you're not on Rez,

They're a fun read, and the guy who wrote them is just so damned cute and humble!

9. Whenever possible, eat at home, or bring your own lunch. At the very least, your wallet will thank you, and your chances of survival are dramatically increased. If you foolishly decide against taking this advice, the food at the Pub is the most edible on campus (I'd actually call it good at times!) but, avoid the onion rings (little batter rings hiding reservoirs of grease!). I've also heard that the toasted bagels at Spiegel

Hall won't kill you.  
 10. Take the bus. These is a direct bus service to Erindale via Mississauga Transit. You'll never have to worry about finding a parking spot, you'll save money overall, it's better for the environment, and you won't get arrested for taking the bus home after a few drinks at the Pub. Besides, all the really cool people ride the bus, and you want to be cool too, don't you?

Chris Wagner, H. B.Sc. (UT Erindale) 2002  
 Faculty of Social Work - Masters Program

P.S. Final piece of advice - It's U of T Erindale College - UTM is just some really bad publicity stunt to get Mayor Hazel on-side for when the revolution comes.

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## OPINION

# Parking problems continue to plague UTM students

## Opinion

By Val Smetka

Here's the scenario for you: you own a car, and you drive it to UTM Erindale. What kind of problems do you encounter? Tons. Lets see, you start off the year facing a long line not only at the Registrars who keeps their hours of operation nonexistent because you wouldn't want them to have to do actual work, but also at the parking office, because there is only one window and only one person on

campus who has an idea of how to work a debit machine. You fork out \$299 dollars for a parking pass.

Next, you come to school on the first day and try to find a parking spot at 10:30, but to your surprise, there are NO spots. Oh wait, there is a new parking lot (9) which is only a 20 minute hike from everywhere. So now you are 5 minutes late for class and have to plan your schedule around finding parking instead of commute time (I come from Burlington and it takes almost as long to commute - 15 minutes - as it does to park at Erindale - 10 minutes). You come back to your car and find it was dinged. There's another \$200 dollars to add for today and the fun has just begun.

What's that on your windshield, a ticket? That's right; you were also fined because your one tire was over this yellow parking line. What makes it worse is that the ticket is somehow a Mississauga Police Ticket even though it's on Private Property but you have a parking pass and it's displayed in your car! Ticket equals \$20 for an offence called PARKING VEHICLE ON PRIVATE PROPERTY WITHOUT OWNERS CONSENT. What's the point of having the parking pass then? That's supposed to be the consent! You tell this to the parking police and they say that they COULD file a report for the damage but it comes out of your

insurance and since your deductible is more than \$200, there is no point because your rates will go up. Once again the monopoly run by Erindale's parking body shines right through, and on top of that you are now out almost \$520 dollars. It was a good day I think, but tomorrow, I'm taking the BUS!

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# SAC Directors clarifies Palestinian/Israeli conflict

To the university community,  
We are writing to express the concern of a Board whose will was usurped and whose constituents were misrepresented. The Board of Directors of the Students' Administrative Council (SAC) voted September 30 to uphold a decision of the Clubs Commission - we would give \$1000 to the International Socialists (IS) so they might fund transportation to Ottawa. What was the purpose of this trip? To participate in a peaceful rally focussed on Palestinian Human Rights. The IS are a recognized SAC club. In funding this club, SAC did not endorse the Palestinian cause. In funding this club, SAC did not endorse violence - in fact, the rally was entirely peaceful. In funding this club, SAC only endorsed U of T students who chose to get involved in student life. Had Hillel approached SAC for funding they would have been treated similarly. This money was not an endorsement of any particular Middle Eastern Politics.

We want to clarify any misinformation regarding its vote, and the actions of Commissioners attempting to carry out the legal rights of the Board. Actually, when John Lea, SAC Vice President-Operations, initially decided not to issue a cheque for money the Board decided SAC would expend, he was violating SAC by-laws, violating his job description and violating the votes of thousands of students who elected this Board. He was violating a basic trust - that he, and the President who supported him, are ultimately responsible to the SAC Board of Directors. The Vice President Operations withheld the physical cheque from any of the signers who might have signed it. This is why Ms. Artful-Dodger and Ms. Guiao attempted to enter the business manager's office: to retrieve a new cheque (because this club needed it for a deposit ASAP), and legally issue the funds with the signatures of the University Affairs and the Clubs Commissioners - to carry out the will of democracy which the Vice President Operations defied.

Mr. Lea suggested that according to

the University of Toronto's Code of Conduct, no person ought to willingly endanger another student. To suggest that sending students to a Palestinian peace rally would endanger them promotes an ignorance of peaceful protest. Furthermore, the student code of conduct Mr. Lea quotes in his letter of condemnation is in fact a section taken out of context. The section followed a clause that reads: "(iii) except as otherwise provided herein, occurs on premises of the University of Toronto" and since the rally was in Ottawa, hundreds of kilometres away, the comment was totally invalid and misleading.

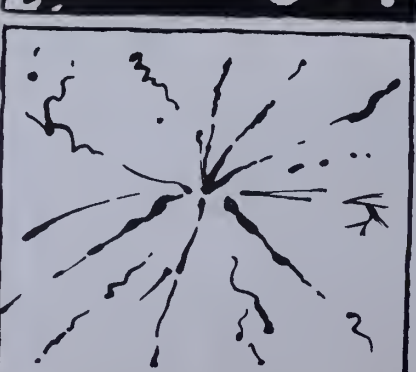
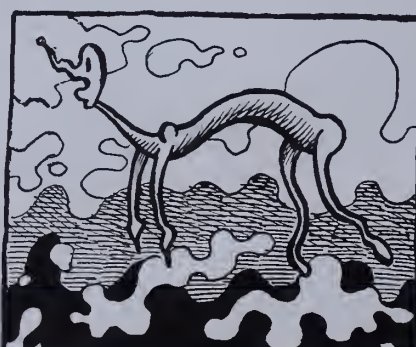
Indeed, when the motion to give the \$1000 was voted on, it passed with an overwhelming majority. The cheque was eventually signed, but only after too many antics. How could the Vice President Operations possibly consider disregarding the voices of these people? In fact, Mr. Lea did not speak a single word during the debate. His "principled position," to quote the President, was too good for the Board—a body he excluded, by personal choice, from his opinions, though they are the body he is directly responsible to.

In conclusion, we, the undersigned SAC Board members, are writing to say that the motion we passed was fair, apolitical, and ultimately led to a very successful and peaceful rally at which many U of T students were allowed to express their opinions and solidarity for human rights. We are writing to say that the condemnation letter Mr. Lea wrote was unfair towards SPHR, a coalition which ultimately produced this peaceful rally. But most of all, we are writing to condemn the circumvention of democracy that Mr. Lea's actions expressed, and which Rocco Kusi-Achampong supported as President—a direct violation of Mr. Lea's duty as Vice President and Mr. Kusi-Achampong's role as the official representative of the student union. There was an obvious breach of trust produced between these senior executive and the Board. They have violated our trust, in some bases our confidence. We still await their apology—directed to all their constituents.

Sincerely,

Sami Arafah, Trinity College  
Alexandra Artful-Dodger, Victoria College, External Commissioner  
Owen Cook, University College  
Greg Dubecky, St. Michael's College  
Zainab Fatima, Victoria College  
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And other concerned SAC Board members

Anonymous! Nick MAANDAG





## FEATURES

## Creative Short Stories

## Dare To Dream

BY FAWAD SIKANDAR MAHAR

He lay down to rest his throbbing head a while. After a long day's work, he looked forward to his ephemeral slumbers, when he dreamt immortal dreams. He visited places, created by his imagination, where he could breathe life into whatever he chose. The dream world was his best and only way to escape the unnerving and cold world that surrounded him.

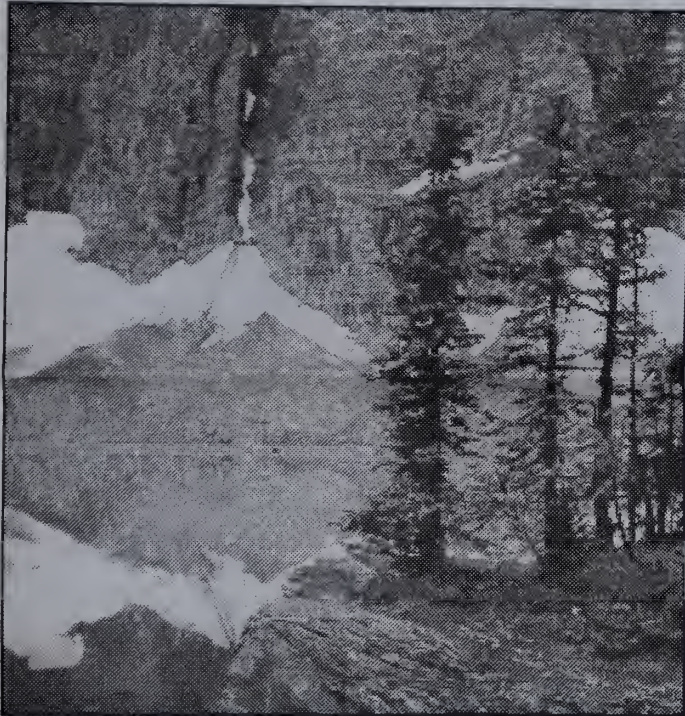
Within minutes a serene sensation encompassed him and he was swept away into his very own un-violated world.

He dreamed of soft grass underneath his feet, a clear blue sky with the sun towering over him. A cool breeze blew through the air, lightly blowing his clothes and his hair, as

enough to satisfy his appetite, and he felt that plucking any from the tree would be like snatching a child from its mother. He let the fruit be. Instead, he contented himself by taking in the smell of the flowers that surrounded the tree.

The sweet liquid in the river looked very inviting and he dived in, fully clothed. The liquid was warm and it tickled his skin as he glided through it. Even when he tried to swim, he would end up floating on it, so he let his body go limp and stretched out on the surface. He closed his eyes to absorb the relaxing liquid, and with it he closed the world that surrounded him, the world which he had imagined...

The rays of the morning sun peaked through the bedroom window, passing through like a kaleido-



if teasing him to explore what was around him.

The sound of running water caught his attention, and a previously unnoticed river came into view. The sun shone on the water's glassy surface as he advanced towards the sparkling stretch of water and leaned forward, cupping his hands to let some water fill his empty palms.

The prussian blue liquid did not lose color, even in his hands. As he slowly sipped the liquid, he realized that it was not water at all; he tasted a honey-like liquid. He smacked his lips as he gulped the remaining bit in his hands.

Next, the rustling of leaves caught his attention and a glance towards the noise revealed that there was a tree blossoming right at the center of the river. The branches leaned toward the earth as a result of the sheer weight of the fruit they bore. The dual-coloured fruit was snuggled nicely between the leaves of each branch.

He stepped into the clear stream and progressed towards the tree. The coral beneath the shallow stream crushed lightly under his feet, sending waves of an unusually pacifying sensation through his body.

He climbed out of the water onto the land that bore the tree; to his surprise, the ground was dry as a bone. The very scent of the fruit was

scope of colors that washed the walls of the room in an assortment of blue, gray, yellow and red. Some of the rays found their way to the man who lay sleeping in the center of the room, and conveniently warned him of the beginning of another day.

He did not wake up immediately, but lay pondering over the world he had just seen. Unlike his other dreams, this one was crystal clear in his memory; in fact, he could recount every single detail. His eyes moistened as he thought of the dream, and slowly but surely, little drops started trickling down his cheeks until his face was wet and there were no tears left to cry.

He now realized the significance of his dream. It had shown him a vivid picture of the simple luxuries of life, that life itself was a gift to Man from God. He saw now that he had spent so much of his life in sorrow and regrets that he had forgotten what peace and happiness really was.

Upon this realization, he resolved to change. He would no longer become the victim of his own losses, but would gain happiness from someone's smile, someone's laughter. This way, he could claim to have lived his life in a way that gave him a reason to smile and stay in harmony with this world.

## Siblings

BY JANICE YIP

"Stop following me," says Peter as he turns around and pokes my head.

"Ow."

"Serves you right."

I rub my forehead and ask, "Where are you going?"

"Away from you," he answers.

"Peter, tell me," I whine.

My brother puts his hands on his hips and towers over me with his 4-foot high body.

"I'm going to play video games and you cannot play."

"How come?"

"Because I'm bigger and two years and five months older than you," Peter explains.

"Now go away. You smell."

"I do not," I protest.

"Yes you do. You stink. You are six now, and people like you smell like stinky poo."

My brother smirks. "Janice is a stinky poo."

"I don't smell," I say, stamping my feet.

"Yes, you do," insists my brother.

"No, I don't!"

"Ah-Tsin!" Mom storms in from the kitchen to our argument in the living room. "What did I tell you? Your father has an important phone call."

She grabs my arm. "Since you cannot behave, you will stay in your room."

"But ma, Peter..."

Mom pulls me into my bedroom. "I don't want to hear anything."

"But Peter..."

"Your father is very busy, and I told you many times to be quiet."

"Peter made me upset!" I yell and

I whimper, drop my shorts down, and expose my pink underwear to my mom. Whap! Whap! Whap! Tears pour down my cheeks. My mom stomps out of my room. I slide off my bed and pull my purple shorts up. My brother glides to the doorway, crosses his arms, and leans against the frame.

"Peter, don't give your sister attention," my mom says. She places her hand onto his head and guides him around.

"Go play some games," she instructs. "Your sister needs to learn to be quiet and respect others."

She shuts my door.

I lie on my bed and rub my bruised bum. Shortly after, my door opens and quickly shuts. I wobble off my bed. On the floor, sits a piece of yellow

paper with two chocolate chip cookies on it.

I pick up the cookies, place one on the carpet, and start eating the other. A drawing appears on the paper. The drawing shows a red crayon stick figure of a girl with the word "Janice" written underneath it. From the female figure a black arrow points to three brown oval shapes. The word "poo poo" explains the brown ovals.

"Janice is a stinky poo," Peter whispers from the other side of the door.

I grab a book from the floor. I chuck it at the door.

"AH-TSINI!" My mom shouts.

Uh oh...



push my mom away from me. "Why don't you listen to me?"

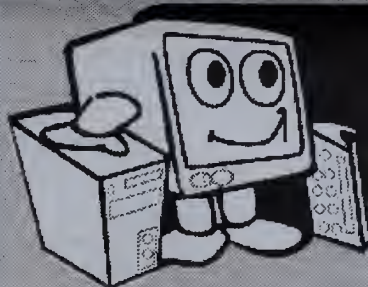
Mom narrows her eyes, guides me to my bed, walks out of the room and enters back with a wooden handle feather duster in her hand.

"No!" I scramble across my bed.

"Come back here." My mom seizes my ankles and drags me towards her. "You should not disrespect your parents. Especially your mother. Now pull down your pants."

"No! Ma, I will be good. I won't say anything," I plead. "Please don't hit me. Don't you love me?"

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# LGBTQ students now have an organization at UTM

BY JOHANNA KRISTOLAITIS

UTM now has an official group for homosexual and transgender students. Over 15 students attended the first meeting of OUT at UTM on Wednesday, September 26, and many more have expressed interest in the group.

"When I got here, I was upset that there was nothing really representing the gay community," said Skye Plowman, a first-year Humanities student and now the Chair of OUT at UTM. "Every school has some kind of group like that for students, except here. So I'm really excited that we have one now."

"We've tried to start similar groups in the past," said Pardeep Nagra, UTM's Diversity Officer. "The student support just wasn't there before; only a few people would come out."

So far it seems that this year is going to be different.

"We simply provided an opportunity and it took root among those that attended this year's initial meeting," said Mark Overton, Dean of Student Affairs. "There was interest from students, faculty, staff and alumni, so I think the potential is amazing."

"Already people are jumping up and asking 'When's the next meeting?'" said Joseph Deogracias, one of the organizers for the Sexual Education Centre (SEC). "It may be because we've advertised better this year, especially with the first years."

OUT at UTM is an organization for LGBTQ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer) students, staff, faculty, and alumni, as well as their friends and supporters, commonly referred to as allies.

"It's a platform for LGBTQ people and their friends to come out and support each other, and celebrate diversity," said Nagra.

"A group like this is important to show that the gay community isn't invisible," said Plowman. "You don't have to hide it and keep quiet; you can be open about it."

"At the first meeting, we didn't share what orientation we were," said Deogracias. "That's not the point because everyone is welcome."

Now that OUT at UTM has had its first meeting, the possibilities for its future seem endless.

"It will become a student-run organization with staff advisor. Other initiatives and events will happen throughout the year," said Nagra. "Some of the things that have been brought up are information campaigns, movie nights, and the positive space campaign."

"The group still has to grow into what it will be," said Chris Damdar, a third-year UTM student who volunteers with SEC. "Right now we want it to be a social/support group, but it may move into



Stop by the S.E.C. office for more information about OUT at UTM and its events.

photo/Melissa Donnelly

something else."

"I hope OUT can become a place where people can explore and realize their sexuality," says Plowman. "It's important to have support and resources, especially when someone is coming out, and I hope the club can be that."

"LGBTQ groups can take on a variety of roles, including educational, social, political, and support activities," said Mark Overton, UTM's Dean of Student Affairs. "Everyone involved gets to help set

our direction."

"We definitely want the support of the UTM community," added Deogracias.

That support is already underway. Student Affairs and the Diversity Office have helped the group get started and pledge to be continued avenues of support. "The primary goal of UTM's student services is to encourage and support students' academic success," said Overton. "Creating a welcoming and supportive environment helps students engage in our community and that tends to foster better academic performance too."

"I'm looking forward to working

with the group and being a resource," said Nagra. "I want to make sure they have stable footing."

Many students are glad that a group of this kind has finally emerged onto UTM's community radar. Its importance is underlined by this year's student interest.

"I don't want to say we're 'here', because we've been here for a while," said Deogracias. "But we weren't visible before. Other queer people weren't seen to turn

to and talk to."

"We've now got people and enthusiasm and a good mix of skills," said Damdar.

"It must have been hard for students before this year," said Nagra.

"For people who have freshly come out of the closet, it can be an alienating time," said Plowman. "People may need somewhere to turn, and OUT can be that place."

Although the group is just starting out, plans for events and student communication are already taking shape. The first OUT event/initiative is to have a display for National Coming Out this Friday. A list-serve is already set up to alert students to meetings and other events. Postering will also be a means of communication.

"Aside from posters and e-mail, word of mouth is the best communication tool," said Deogracias. "If someone hears about the group and is interested in joining, just come to the meetings and events."

Funding up to this point has been provided by the Diversity Office.

"The activities that the group chooses in the future will determine where we might seek additional funds," said Overton. "There's lots of interesting possibilities here, downtown and in the community."

Overall, OUT at UTM will add another dimension to the diverse landscape of this campus. Like other clubs, this one provides a place and an opportunity for students to learn more about themselves.

"Being at university is all about coming to terms with who you are, and sexuality is just one part of that," said Plowman. "In the end, you define your sexuality. Your sexuality doesn't define you."

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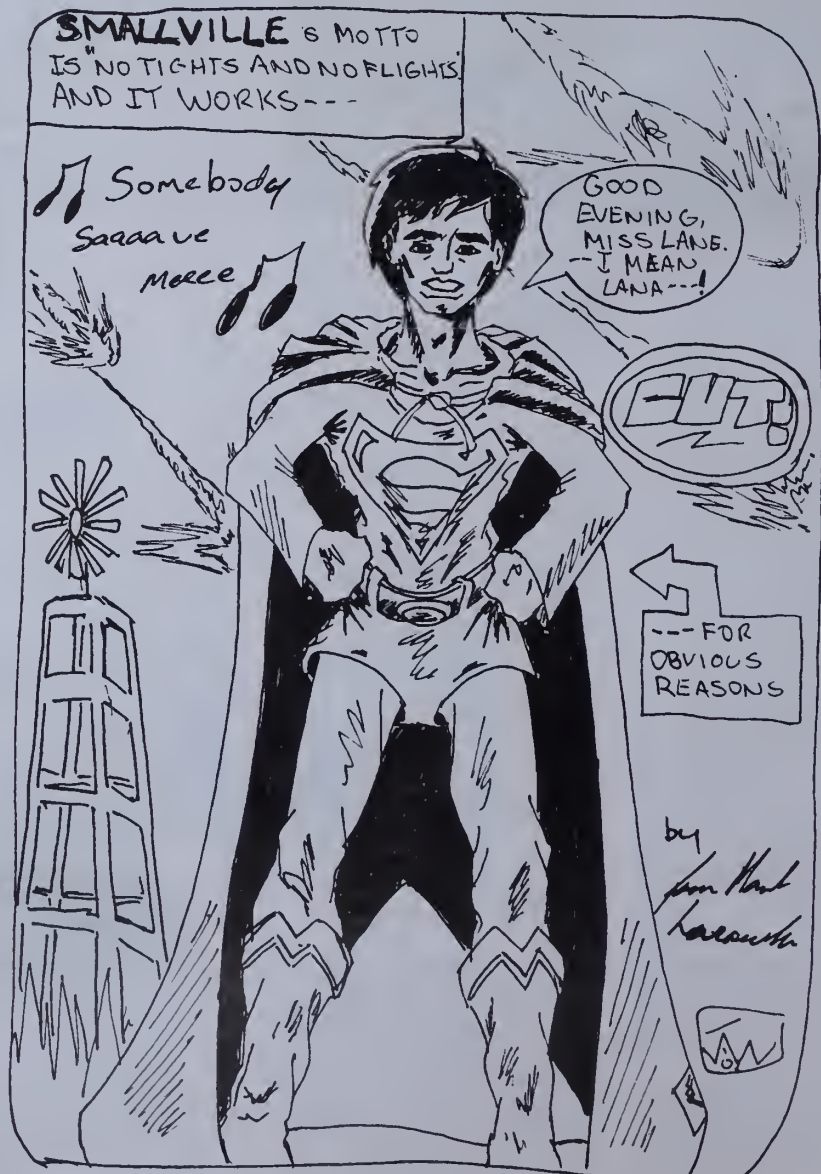
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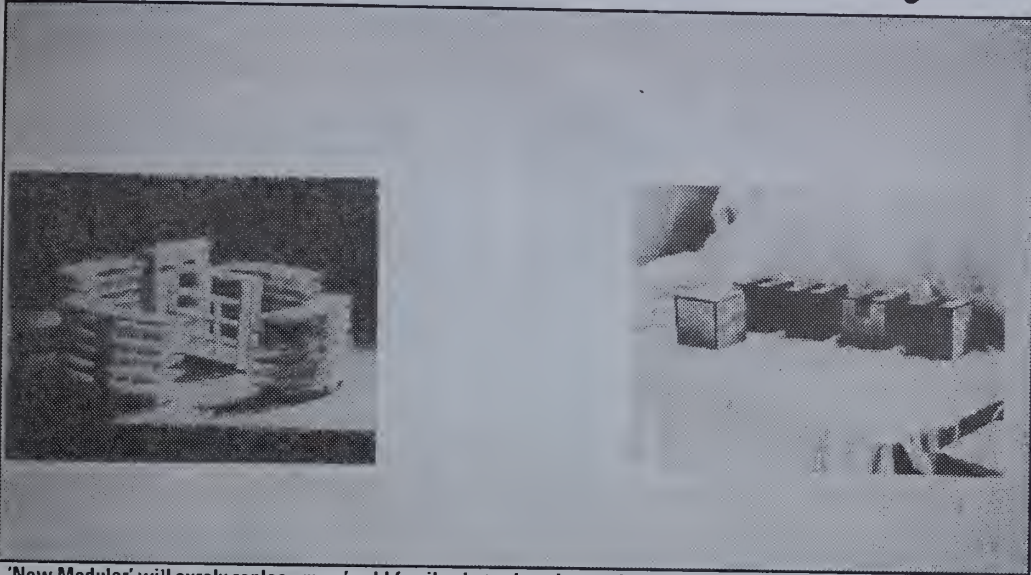
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## ARTS &amp; ENTERTAINMENT

## A contemporary view for the Blackwood Gallery



'New Modular' will surely replace mom's old family photos hanging on the walls.

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## ART ATTACK

BY AMANDA AKAMPHUBER

Remember the days when mom and dad decided a room in the house needed a change? New wallpaper, paint, furniture. On the walls hung big Brady Bunch family portraits, scenery pictures of somewhere nice, or pictures of bouquets of flowers. However, the art of today is contemporary art.

An exhibit entitled 'New Modular' at the Blackwood Gallery in the Kaneff Centre gives a clear flavour of what it is and if it is attractive to interior design.

Artists from Vancouver and Toronto have come together to exhibit their modern art. Sculptures such as a jade CD, a microphone, a walkman and a plastic VHS tape are shown in display cases. On the wall are black and white photographs of abstract objects sitting on desks. On the floor, air purifiers form of some sort of 3D view of a

city.

Displayed on the side of the exhibition is purple wallpaper that appears to have some sort of encrypted symbols on it. In the middle of the floor are 4 inches by 4 inches rows of cafeteria food trays stacked while secluded in the middle, is a T.V. where only the sound is heard. Renovation yet?

Contemporary art appears to be a little too eccentric to put in a family room, where people come to watch the Simpson's and eat pizza. It requires critical thinking to understand contemporary art and to fully appreciate it. The notion of where exactly these products of contemporary art should be placed or viewed is questionable.

The cafeteria trays exhibit, entitled "Isolated Depiction of a Passage of Time," by Brian Jungen, is a recreation of an inmate from the Kingston Penitentiary. The inmate is trying to hide himself from authority in stacks of trays. Enlightening.

Wonderful in the hallway – the air purifier and symbolic wall paper created by An Te Liu shows

standardised housing and complexes. Extremely amusing.

Maybe the purple wallpaper can match the towels in the bathroom – the bizarre sculptures created by James Carl depict modernized communications devices, depicting to show the short lives of products such as the VHS cassette.

Damian Moppet's photographs of images of building blocks and cardboard pieces stuck together by scotch tape isn't particularly entertaining. Above the desk in the office – this contemporary art is definitely trying to reflect society's standardization, repetition and redundancy along with the notion of "generic."

However, this art is too futuristic to value or put in a warm household. When looking at it, it emanates a cold, confused and blank state of mind. It may be the new art of today but it no way compares with those awkward but happy family portraits.

*New Modular will continue to be displayed at the Blackwood Gallery until October 20.*

## Not your average Italian

## GAME CORNER

BY ERIC LAGANIS

**The Italian Job**  
Publisher: Rockstar  
System: Playstation

Based on the 1960's movie of the same name, *The Italian Job* (TIJ) is a racing adventure in which you assume the identity of Charlie Croker, a recently paroled small time crook who gets caught up in a scheme to steal millions of dollars from the Italian mafia.

TIJ offers a variety of game modes that the player can engage in. TIJ is the type of game where the user completes several mission objectives to progress the story along. By passing objectives you can unlock hidden levels, vehicles, and challenges. Destructor mode is where you try to knock over as many pylons as you can in the allotted time. Checkpoint mode pits the driver against time as you

try to pass through all of the checkpoints before time expires.

Free ride is a mode that allows you to wonder aimlessly throughout the levels without the need of completing mission objectives.

If you get tired of the single player modes, you can try party play. This mode pits you and up to seven of your friends to try to get the fastest time possible while alternating turns.

**Graphics 7/10**

Even though some of the pedestrians look more like blocks than people, TIJ does a good job in detailing all of the cars and buildings in the game.

**Sound 6/10**

The overall sound experience in TIJ is mediocre. On the down side, the main menu theme music is atrocious and it is hard to understand what Charlie is saying. The only way to truly enjoy the sound experience is to turn the volume way up.

**Control 8/10**

The vehicles in TIJ handle very smoothly. It is very easy to make sharp turns without losing control of your car. The only drawback I had with the control is that you cannot set up your own control configurations.

**Gameplay 7/10**

TIJ is a fun game to play. The only drawback that I found was that it is too easy to lose the police and the mafia.

**Overall 7/10**

Even though TIJ may not become a Playstation Greatest Hit, the game offers an alternative when you get tired of games like *Grand Theft Auto 2* and *Driver*. I would recommend only renting TIJ; it is way too short. If you must buy a game that is similar to TIJ then you might be interested in *Grand Theft Auto: Vice City* for the Playstation 2, scheduled for a late October release.

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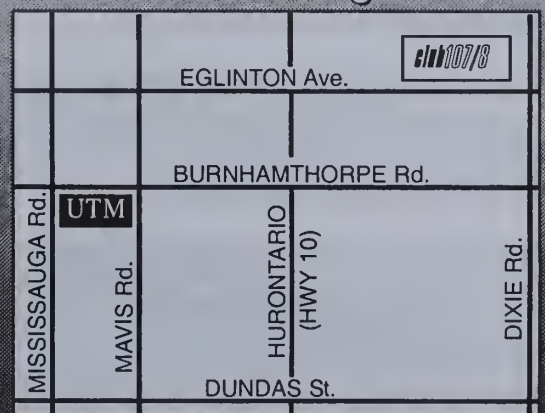
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# Sandler offers an intoxicating view on *love*



Barry Egan (Adam Sandler) overloads his shopping cart with pudding to fund his tropical vacation in Hawaii. *Punch-Drunk Love* opens in theatres on October 11.

photo/Columbia TriStar Films

## MOVIE REVIEW

BY ALANA KITCHENER

The movie is strange, but then again look who the movie stars. *Punch-Drunk Love* tells the romantic tale of Barry Egan (Adam Sandler) a hardworking but socially awkward

salesman with a phone-sex business and seven abusive sisters who soon finds that three thugs are chasing him. One of his sisters attempts to steer him out of his misery by setting

him up on a blind date – that doesn't exactly work out. Barry's social life picks up speed when he realizes that his hobby of collecting pudding coupons pays off and he's able to

win enough frequent flyer miles to take a trip to Hawaii in a quest to find his mysterious girl. The origins of the pudding came two years ago in a Time magazine article about David Phillips, a University of California civil engineer who stumbled upon a lucrative frequent-flyer promotion. He is now known to the entire airline industry as the 'Pudding Guy'. Phillips accumulated 1.25 million miles by purchasing 12,150 cups of Healthy Choice pudding for a mere \$3000.00. Writer/Director Paul Thomas Anderson met with Phillips – and was inspired to use his story as inspiration for Sandler's character.

Barry appears to have the emotional maturity of a young child. His world is surrounded by repressed anger and profound loneliness. Growing up with seven loudmouthed controlling sisters has sent Barry into total isolation. He wants to succeed and win the respect of others and hopes that his journey to a tropical paradise will help him shape into a new person.

His life takes a turn for the worse when he discovers that he is the victim of a humiliating crime. A renegade to society (Phillip Seymour Hoffman) sends four thugs to physically harm him. Barry finds himself trapped between the physical abuse of the thugs and emotional abuse from his evil sisters.

So you're probably thinking, 'when does the romance start?' An up-the-wall woman named Lena (Emily Watson) has her eyes on him. Lena's insistence upon getting to know Barry leads him to what may be his last attempt at trusting another human being. It must be Barry's 1970's blue suit that attracts Lena – he wears it throughout the movie as if he's anticipating something big to happen.

Despite the zany details of this strange plot, the crucial issue of the story is, of course, love. It's a love of listening to each other. Barry's relationship with Lena gives us a clear metaphor of the contemporary problem with anger and the need to dissolve that rage through the power of compassionate and forgiving love. If there's hope for Barry Egan, there's hope for us.

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# Self-titled album receives a sweet 3/5 rating

## CD REVIEWS

BY MARC PEVERINI



**30 Seconds to Mars**  
**Immortal/Virgin**  
**2/5**

30 Seconds to Mars' debut release is chock full of computerized sounds and aching vocals.

Actor Jared Leto, along with his brother, produced an album lacking in uniqueness, but interesting enough to make you listen past the first song.

'Capricorn,' the first track, is a good opening. Heavy guitar, keyboards, and sound effects provide an interesting backdrop. Vocals are captivating; constant harmony creates a brooding sensation. The keyboards and drum machines of "Echelon" provide an interesting kickback to the 80s. Sound effects litter most songs.

However, the album fails by relying too much on Leto's voice. Lyrics become rambling, unreliable; harmonies invariant. The doctored guitars and computerized noises that give the band their sound become exhausting. 30 Seconds to Mars eventually leans on Incubus for inspiration, with some snippets sounding eerily similar.

Despite Leto's vocal capabilities, average listeners will tire of the band's sound. Fans will dwell on a few decent songs, some lyrical outer-space references, hieroglyphic album art, and a sweet logo to justify a musical masterpiece.

The album isn't particularly bad; it's just not particularly mature. The best thing about it is the CD design - a Canadian nickel. Shiny.



**Stonesour**  
**All Blacks/Roadrunner**  
**3/5**

The day a musician needs to ride the coat-tails of Slipknot to introduce a solo, self-titled album would be a sad day indeed. That day has come. However, not all is lost.

Stonesour combines two Slipknot members, obvious Metallica influences, and a few flashes of ingenuity to produce a surprisingly reasonable album.

The album starts poorly. The opening two tracks combine distortion, screaming, unnecessary swearing, minor harmonies, and BTK-esque rap (yes, the "Peppyrock" guys) for a weird and unpalatable mix.

"Bother" changes everything. Nicely out of place, the track has a sound reminiscent of the Chili Peppers: flowing harmonies, everyman lyrics, clean guitar sound. The backing strings are a bit much, but it's such a difference from the rest of the album that surprised listeners won't mind.

The album later lapses into the incessant screaming; hence the chimpanzee-like vocals that open 'Blotter.'

Although no classic, the Slipknot alumni get points for trying something different. When not tearing his vocal chords, lead vocalist Corey Taylor has a pained, yet soothing tone.

In a sense, this album is an achievement. Slipknot took more than just the masks off.

This record, while catchy, is an example of the current disposable pop-rock music. Theory of a Deadman will certainly grow to be a huge success, but if one doesn't appreciate the likes of Nickelback and Creed, then venturing near Theory of a Deadman will only lead to frustration.



BY STEFANO MACORETTA



**LifeHouse - Stanley**  
**Climbfall 4/5**

An eagerly anticipated new release this month was LifeHouse's new disc, *Stanley Climbfall*. The enormous success of the band came with the single 'Hangin'' by a moment, a single which singer/writer Jason Wade confesses to have written in five minutes. Fortunately the acoustic version of that song has not been released on this new disc full of talent. Fans will find here a larger amount of effort being placed on a more aggressive and passionate kind of sound. There are no lovey-dovey tracks like 'Breathing,' but they all sound just as heartfelt, if not more. It's very obvious that the new single 'Spin' will last on all kinds of charts

for a long time. Even before the length of that song was over, I knew the song was great. This is also a great performance for Wade as both a vocalist and songwriter. 'Wash' retains the sound of 'Sick Cycle Carousel' from their first album. *Stanley Climbfall* also contains a bonus track of an acoustic version of 'A sky is falling,' a grand finishing touch to the album. His songs exhibit many themes that all listeners can appeal to, without boring them with horrible crooning. What we have here is a great new disc full of energy, potential and many new tracks that demonstrate the bands ability to create a stirring kind of excitement within. True enthusiasts will no doubt have to add this album to their collections.



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**Nickelback - Curb**  
**All Blacks/Nickelback**  
**Productions**  
**2/5**

There is a reason why Nickelback found popularity elusive before their 2001 album *Silver Side Up*. It is revealed in the re-release of *Curb*, their 1996 debut album.

The album not only showcases the band's love of distortion, but also an inherent knack for unimaginative riffs, self-deprecating lyrics, and generally bland, mid-90s hard rock.

The vocals are the greatest disappointment. Lead singer Chad Kroeger fails to find his niche. Vocals switch between an Eddie Vedder reverb, Rob Thomas twang, and Kurt Cobain grunt, leaving us wanting to hear fewer impressions and more Chad Kroeger.

There are a few highlights. 'Falls Back On' makes good use of simple drumming and generic power chord rock. 'Just Four' is the only song suited to Kroeger's gritty vocals.

While mass appeal is in no way an indicator of musical merit, the fact that *Curb* needs re-releasing after Nickelback's newfound popularity is telling.



**Theory of a Deadman**  
**www.theoryofadeadman.com**  
**2/5**

*Theory of a Deadman*, a band out of British Columbia, have made a name for themselves by having their song 'Invisible Man' debut on the *Spider-Man* soundtrack. They were also lucky enough to be discovered by Chad Kroeger, of Nickelback fame, who co-produced their self-titled debut album. Kroeger's influence on the disc is evident - *Theory of a Deadman* sounds a lot like Nickelback, and a little like Creed and Lifehouse. Songs like "Invisible Man," and the current single "Nothing Could Come Between Us," sound as if Kroeger himself sings them. Although there isn't much of a difference in sound in any of the songs, there are a few memorable tracks. "Make up your mind" is mellow and sad. "The Last Song" is haunting and melancholic, in contrast with the rest of the disc. *Theory of a Deadman* did not experiment with their sound, and the result is an album that sounds like one long song.

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## SPORTS

## UTM men's division one soccer squeaks out victory

BY GERGIN NAOUMOV

The UTM Men's division one soccer team which features several provincial-level players, several world-class trash-talkers, and two Albanian brothers, barely scraped out a 1-0 victory over lowly New College. Even more disturbing was the fact that most New College players appeared never to have played organized soccer before.

Such a disgusting performance does not merit an entire column dedicated to game details. Thus, only off-field events from the past week will be discussed.

The game did see the return of Mazen Zaki, one of the better UTM players in recent history. However, the usually fleet-footed Zaki who has shot power unproportional to his body size struggled



Bruno Pellegrino and Belal Skeikh stand on guard to stifle opposing strikers around the UTM net.

photo/Chandra Gilbert

to recapture his old form. Some speculate that this is due to Zaki carrying extra weight. Although he remains at his fighting weight of 140 pounds, it can be argued that the massive amount of juice in his jerry curl is weighing him down significantly.

Coach Freitas will be looking for a more concerted effort when the team hosts the School of Graduate Students on October 20. All fans are welcomed. The team will not be playing on Thanksgiving weekend as they will be psyching themselves up for their championship run for the coveted outdoor title.

Player Marko Balen would like to extend a special invitation to the lady from the Fit Stop who set up the nets and took the team registration list during the last home game.

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## Men's Football still unbeaten

BY JON BROWN

The Eagles continued their dominance over opponents in the U of T men's interfaculty Touch Football league. This week's match-up pitted the fierce rivals from Scarborough against UTM on neutral territory downtown.

For the first time this season UTM was scored on, twice in fact. Not only did they score twice but they scored first forcing the Eagles to play from behind. After trailing early in the game UTM answered with three touchdowns of their own to take an impressive lead. If there is one flaw the Erindale boys need to work on, it is their over confi-

dence. After a UTM interception by Jordan LaTorre stopped Scarborough, the UTM offense threw the ball away on the first play of the drive. The play resulted in an interception and led to the second touchdown of the game for Scarborough.

UTM bounced back as Rafiq Hakim quickly scored a touchdown from Jon Brown that put the game away for good.

The Eagles next game is on Monday, October 7. This will be the last game downtown for the Eagles and then two weeks off before they finish the season at home with back to back Saturday games. Good luck as the UTM Eagles try to hold on to their undefeated record.



UTM in hot pursuit. The men's touch football team remains undefeated posting a 3-0 record this season after defeating UTSC.

photo/Julie Ng

## Optimism for Div 2 Bball

BY ROBERT LIU

Once again, the women's division two basketball season started with a bang. The team dressed fifteen players for the first game and many of them were new faces. The overall look will have many fresh women on this team along with returning players from last year but overall, there is a lot of youth on the team.

The most notable gain will most likely be the fact that player commitment and desire appear to be higher this year as opposed to last year, as shown by such a large turn out from the try-outs. However, the most notable loss is undoubtedly a lack of size. UTM's starting centre from fall season has moved on, and the starting centre from the 2001 spring season impressed division one coach Jack Krist very much

and was swiftly picked for his team.

To make up for this loss of size will be team speed. The coaching staff believes that once it gels and everyone plays on the same page, they will be able to out-run, out-defend, and out-last any opponents.

Optimism is still high despite the team's season opening loss to the Professional Faculty of Pharmacy. It was a close game at the half, but foul trouble and below-par conditioning forced some of UTM's players to spend a majority of the second half gasping for breath leading to a second half butt-kicking. Of course, the refs didn't help much, as shown by the frustration expressed by the Lady Eagles. But with all the negatives being said, this team has potential to better their semi-final appearance from a year ago, but it's all up to the players.



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## Zaman repeats as UTM tennis champ

BY ZIA SHAH

For most, Sunday mornings may not be the most active part of the week. However, this did not stop players from pouring onto the tennis courts, full of enthusiasm, determined to make a run for the intramural tennis title. Matches were underway at 10.30 am; by then most participants had arrived. Sohaib Tariq set a great example for punctuality; the PSA Vice President showed up around two hours after the tournament had started. His stay however, was short, as he was not allowed to enter the draw.

The round robin stage of the competition was long and arduous, leaving four players to battle it out in the semis. The first semi-final featured defending champion

Hashim Zaman against Chris Ogonek. The 2001 champion dominated right from the start, dropping just one game in match that was characterized by some big serving and heavy hitting from both players.

In the other semi-final Azam Khan defeated Nick Mandic in a marathon that produced long hellish rallies, leaving the winner with little energy for the final.

Khan advanced with a 7-5 win in the deciding set, but came up against a wall in the finals. Using big serves and "Patrick Rafter-like" volleys, Zaman ran away with the match dropping just two games. He had defended his title successfully, dropping a mere six games the entire tournament.

The doubles final had the defending champions, Hashim

Zaman and Zia Shah, facing the Chawal twins – Hani and Akbar, the self-acclaimed 'Woodies' of Erindale. Earlier the defending champions had defeated the Garib brothers, Sami and Saad, in two tightly contested sets. The Chawal twins had also won a close match against Andrew Tee and Liv Kushnir.

Prior to the match the twins boasted their superiority, but soon afterwards they realized that the title was not changing hands this year. It was a one-sided affair with minor interruptions from Akbar who claimed to have 'lost his touch.' Zaman sealed the match with an ace for a 6-0, 6-0 victory, officially ending the 2002 Intramural Tennis tournament and leaving the runners-up with little to talk about.

## Eagles win season debut

BY ROB EIDUKAITIS

On September 24, the Men's division one volleyball team opened their regular season with a convincing win over Phys Ed. at the Athletic Centre.

Without the aid of a full team practice prior to the match it was feared that there may have been some confusion or court rust between players, but soon after the match started all those fears were laid to rest. The men came out strong in the first set against an aggressive Phys Ed. team.

The score remained close through much of the set until UTM began pulling away around the 14-14 mark. With the middle blockers almost completely shutting down the opposing team's offense, strong setting and a powerful attack the UTM men won the first set by a score of 26-24. The

start of the second set saw the UTM men come out a little flat falling behind early to a score of 16-12.

After a few key substitutions, UTM were again back on track and began to close the gap. UTM secured their first victory by taking the second set by a score of 25-20. Individual efforts in all positions on the court from all team members were strong, including the encouragement from members on the bench.

The men showed the kind of talent, heart, and intensity in their first match that could take them to the top of the league and finish with a first place seed.

The high spirited team will certainly be a group to watch in their next game on Tuesday, October 8 at 9:10p.m. which will take place at the downtown campus.

## UTM rowing season begins

BY PATRICK OKENS

On Saturday, September 28th, 18 UTM student-rowers got their first taste of racing at the University of Toronto Sprints Regatta, held at Centre Island, Toronto.

Both the men's and women's eights with coxswain placed last in their respective novice events- a 1000m dash against competition from the University of Toronto and Guelph University. However, given that both crews had been selected only one week before the regatta, these

results were to be expected. Most important at this stage, all rowers are committed to the daily 5:30a.m. practices, and morale is high with lots of potential.

With the novices on such a steep learning curve, UTM coaches Tom Beshoff and Patrick Oken are confident of significant improvement over the next 5 weeks. UTM will be competing at regattas in Peterborough, St. Catharines, Saratoga Springs NY, and at the Ontario University Athletics Novice regatta in St. Catharines November 1.



UTM's rowing teams will continue to make strides with the new faces on the team.

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# Eagles pull off sweep

By STEVE MANCHUR

UTM women's division 1 basketball team started off its brand new season in convincing style with a pair of victories during opening week of action. On quest for their unprecedented seventh straight league title, UTM has a terrific balance of returning veterans, led by Stephanie Kishimoto, Marija Kosovski, Ashley Cross, Lindsey Sones and Christine Gonyou, as well as some exciting newcomers including Shelly Roque and Patty Card.

The Lady Eagles opened their season with a league game against Engineering, who at times last year really challenged UTM. However, tonight was not the case. UTM jumped out to an early 12-0 lead within the first three and a half minutes of the game and never looked back on way to a dominating 51-13 victory. Lindsey Sones was top scorer for UTM with 12 points, while Marija Kosovski had 11. Patty Card in here first game for UTM had 8 points on 4-6 shooting from the floor. Linda Williams, a graduate from the division 2 team, had a strong debut contributing 5

rebounds and 4 steals.

Next for UTM was an exhibition game in the great white north of Barrie, to play the OCAA's Georgian Grizzlies. Georgian, only sporting a roster of eight players gave UTM all they could handle early on, jumping out to an early lead, which was helped by some terrible defense on UTM's part. However, with the score at 15-12 for Georgian, UTM went on a 7-0 run to take a lead they would never vanquish the rest of the night. In fact, the closest Georgian came to UTM after that point is in the second half when they cut UTM's lead to 40-36, however after a timeout by coach Jack Krist, UTM went to a full court man-to-man pressure defense that the Grizzlies just couldn't handle, as UTM went on a 11-0 run to seal the victory. UTM had a balanced scoring attack led by Kosovski and Ashley Cross who each 13 points, while Sones and Stephanie Kishimoto each had 10 points.

UTM opens its home season with a game against the Faculty of Law on Monday night, October 7 at 7:30 p.m. Come out and support your Lady Eagles on route to their seventh straight championship season.

# Co-ed Softball season underway

By 'THE FALL COMMISH'  
JON LEE

The Co-ed softball intramural league kicked off with a nail biter for the Phys Ed Staff team, as Vince Cheng, after a rough game overall not counting outs and an error, hit a game ending, three run (walk off) homerun to win the game 8-7 over a great and surprising 9-Ball team.

Also with a big game for Phys. Ed was Darryl "Strawberry" Sequeira who had an inside the park 2 run homerun to keep it close, and Kevin Lee who was 3-3 with a single, double, solo homerun and 3 runs scored. The key moment in the game was most like Sequeira sprinting around the bases with two outs for his homerun as the team would have had their automatic out after his at-bat which would have ended their inning.

Also key for Phys. Ed. was "Downtown" Jon Brown (1-2, RBI triple, scored), and co-captain Lind-

sey Sones (1-2, RBI double, scored). Co-captain Jack Krist, who went 1-3 with a run scored, said, "It was a close game. But that Vince came through. The other team have a great team, especially the girls who fielded well."

9-Ball had some great free agent acquisitions by captain Ryan DeSouza (1-2, triple, scored). His left side infield of Janet Clendening (2-3, RBI, scored) and Sinead "The Model" Sheenan (1-3, ground rule double) shocked the Phys. Ed hitting into submission and a near loss.

Kreisler Brass (1-2, 2 RBIs, scored) and Matt Davies (2-3, scored) led off well in a hot third inning, where five consecutive singles got the lead for 9-Ball at 5-1.

But Phys. Ed. chipped back in the last innings to win this one, but no shame to an awesome 9-Ball team who face next the Mickey Mouse Club. Other players who came up big for 9-Ball were Ryan Sowinski (2-3,

RBI, scored), and Chris Pedro (2-3, solo homerun, 2 RBIs).

The Phys. Ed. Staff will meet Dave Jutzi and CKY next week.

Meanwhile in Disneyland, Captain Mike "Tinker" Bell (1-3, RBI) and his Mickey Mouse Club (i.e. The Campus Police/Free Agents) took Mark Samoszewski and JD's Good Ol' Boys (and Gals since it's Co-ed y'all) to Never Never Land in a shutout, 4-0.

The MMC picked up the rest of the free agents and got a great second baseman in Chang Lee and third baseman in Ivan Ampuro (2-2, RBI, scored) that frustrated the Boys.

The rest of the scoring came from Nick Mandic (2-3, sac fly RBI, double, scored), Noelle Smith (0-3 scored after fielder's choice), Joyce Tanjuakio (1-2, RBI) and Mike Cornack (1-2, scored). Blair did his best going 2-3 for the Boys. The Boys get a bye week to regroup at the batting cages.

## Women's field hockey team continue to roll



UTM's field hockey team continue to have a successful season. Come and support the team for their next home game on October 19 at 11a.m. on the North Field.

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